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Applicant(s): LECOMTE et al
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For: PROCESS FOR PRETREATING NATURAL GAS
CONTAINING ACID GASES
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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September 24, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2003, please amend the
above-identified application as set forth herein. This paper includes the following
items:

Amendment to the Specification;

Amendment to the Claims; and

Remarks.